by the recognised Unions. According to extant instructions, permission is not to be given to unrecognised unions.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Three Railway employees, believed to be officials of Rail Mazdoor Union, were suspended. Disciplinary proceedings have been initiated against all the theree, for holding gate meeting without prior permission and attempted assault on an officer by one of them.

Modernisation of Bombay Port

1713. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to modernise the Bombay Port in view of the increasing export and import operations; and

(b) if so, what facilities would be provided after the modernisation of Bombay Port?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) Modernisation of a port is a continuous process. Some of the important schemes included in the modernisation prorgamme for Bombay Port are:

(i) Procurement of Container Handling equipment, procurement of tugs and other floating craft;

(ii) replacement of trestle at Pir Pau and laying of pipelines for improving oil handling facilities;

(iii) construction of a new chemical and oil terminal at Pir Pau in replacement of the existing oil jetty; and

(iv) acquisition of Anti Pollution Vessel.

Seizure of antiques at Delhi

1714. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that antiques worth crores of rupees were seized from Delhi recently;

(b) the number of persons arrested in connection with the antique smuggling; and

(c) whether Government have received any information about the States from where these antiques were smuggled to Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) The Police authorities have seized 61 objects in two raids, one in Lajpat Nagar and the other in Ganesh Nagar (Pandav Nagar), Delhi. On preliminary examination, these were found to be anticuities, the value of which cannot be ascertained at this stage.

(b) Three persons were arrested and the fourth has got anticipatory bail from the court.

(c) No, Sir.

Kendriya Vidyalaya, Pondicherry

1715. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Kendriya Vidyalaya in Pondicherry remained under-staffed during the last three years;

(b) whether it is a fact that the students who were appearing for the examinations are finding it difficult to cope with the Syllabus; and